

**DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY  
FOR PATENT APPLICATION****PATENT  
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 5297/269**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence/post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural name are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**VALVE, IN PARTICULAR FOR A BREAST SHIELD SET**

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

☐ was filed on \_\_\_\_\_ as U.S. Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ or PCT International Application  
Number \_\_\_\_\_ and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understood the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment(s) referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

**Foreign Application(s) and/or Claim of Foreign Priority**

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor(s) certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor(s) certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE FILED	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119
PCT	PCT/CH2006/000070	February 6, 2006	YES: NO:
Switzerland	00638/05	April 7, 2005	YES: NO:

**Provisional Application**

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code Section 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

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**U.S. Priority Claim**

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code Section 112, acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

APPLICATION SERIAL NUMBER	FILING DATE	STATUS (patented/pending/abandoned)
60/689,842	June 13, 2005	

**POWER OF ATTORNEY:**

As a named inventor, I hereby revoke all previously granted powers of attorney in the above-identified patent application and appoint the following attorneys and/or agent(s) to prosecute said patent application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, and to act as agents to act on behalf of the Applicant(s) before the competent International Authorities in connection with any International applications filed with the United States Receiving Office or any other regional or national patent/trademark office, and to receive payments, documents and any and all communications on behalf of Applicants therefrom:

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